

## New national park

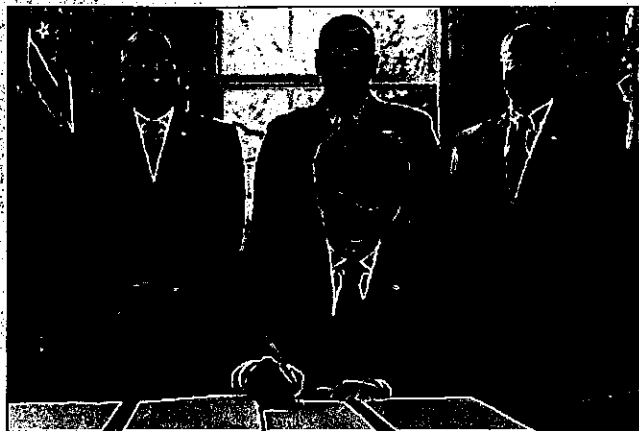
# Hawaii, Alaska also part of monument

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush on Friday established a World War II monument dedicated to those who fought in the Pacific.

The World War II Valor in the Pacific National Monument will encompass nine sites, five in Hawaii, three in Alaska and one in California at the Tule Lake Segregation Center, where thousands of Japanese-Americans were detained after the attack on Pearl Harbor.

"The purpose of the monument is to remind generations of Americans of the sacrifices that Americans made to protect our country. But there's a broader purpose as well and that is to remind generations of Americans about the transformative effect of freedom," Bush said in brief remarks in the Oval Office.

Bush also signed a proclamation honoring



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President George W. Bush signs a proclamation designating the World War II Valor in the Pacific National Monument and a proclamation in honor of National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day 2008, Friday, in the White House. From left are, Navy Secretary Donald Winter, Joint Chief Vice Chairman Gen. James Cartwright, and Veterans Affairs Secretary James Peake.

National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day. The 67th anniversary of the Japanese attacks, the worst on U.S. soil until the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, is Sunday.

"One of the great sto-

ries during World War II was that people fought bitterly to defend our country and way of life, and then worked to help our enemies develop democracies according to their own cultures and their

own history," Bush said.

Joining Bush in the Oval Office were Interior Secretary Dirk Kempthorne, Veterans Affairs Secretary James Peake, Navy Secretary Donald Winter, Gen. James "Hoss" Cartwright, the vice chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Jay Groff, a Pearl Harbor survivor from Springfield, Va.; and George Sullivan, the chairman of the Arizona Memorial Museum Association in Honolulu.

### Pearl Harbor

The five Hawaii sites are all in Pearl Harbor.

They are the USS Arizona Memorial and Visitor Center, the USS Utah Memorial, the USS Oklahoma Memorial, six Chief Petty Officer Bungalows on Ford Island, and the Battleship Row mooring quays F6, F7, and F8.

The three Alaska sites are in the Aleutian Islands.